How to Use This Budget Document

This budget document is designed to provide the general public with extensive and readable information about the school system. It includes the approved budget for the 2011-2012 school year, and analyzes Chesapeake's revenue sources and expenditures.

The Table of Contents lists each topic covered in this document and its page number. As an additional aid, the document is divided into the following six sections:

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The Introduction (Section A) provides introductory information about the school system and includes a listing of the members of City Council, the School Board, the Superintendent's administrative staff, and enrollment information. Additionally, this section provides graphs and charts, which compare Chesapeake to other Virginia school systems.

The Budget Summary (Section B) provides an overview of the budget. Expenditures and revenue sources are presented. Finally, a general summary of the 2011-2012 budget aligned with School Board strategic goals is provided.

The Expenditure Detail (Section C) presents the budget by major funding categories such as Office of the Principal. Each program category (function and subfunction) is a group of services designed to accomplish a definite educational purpose. For each, the purpose, services, and significant changes from the previous year are described. Additionally, expenditures are listed by line item. This format provides the reader with cost information for the group of services or items to be purchased.

The Revenue Detail (Section D) explains the three revenue sources for the budget - state, federal and local funds. Significant aspects of each funding category are described in detail.

Grants and Special Funds (Section E) summarizes the categorical grant and special fund budgets with a brief description of each.

Finally, the Supplemental Information (Section F) includes general statistical information on the school system and a listing of students who have excelled in state, national, or international competitions. Also included is a partial list of scholarships awarded at each of our high schools in June 2009.

It is hoped that the format of this document will assist the reader in understanding the approved budget of the Chesapeake Public School System for 2011-2012.